HOUSE No. 2814

By Mrs. Parente of Milford, petition of Marie J. Parente relative to further regulating adoption agencies. Children and Families.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING ADOPTION AGENCIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 28A of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 11B the following section:—
- 3 Section 11C. No placement agency shall be licensed or have its
- 4 license renewed by the office until it shall demonstrate to the sat-
- 5 isfaction of said office that it possesses a liability insurance bond
- 6 in an amount sufficient to indemnify all prospective adoptive fam-
- 7 ilies against the loss of any advance payments made to such place-
- 8 ment agency in any adoption proceedings or negotiations due to
- 9 the financial failure or other discontinuance of business of such
- 10 agency.

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